The Middle School Ghoul Times

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Ford 208, Carter 203 - M.S. Votes

Ford squeaks past Carter in a very close election here at the Middle School mock election held in each of the social studies or history classes.

Tallying up ballots passed out to each student in the social studies classes, the vote stood at 208- 203, Ford passing Carter by a slim margin of 5 votes. Five votes were cast for Reagan on a write-in alternative. Three votes went to Mr. Snyder, a middle school science teacher, two votes for Mr. Edinger, history teacher, one vote each for Arnold Ziffel, Bugs Bunny, Snoopy, Gay Burchard, and two votes for Kurt Lucas. While some of these last candidates' votes might be seen as a wasted ballot, these votes reflect the feeling of some voters that neither candidate fit the bill.

Council Election Today

Monica Barker and Scott Brill are the two seventh graders running for the office of student council president in the election to be held today during second hour. Gay Burchard is the only one on the ballot for vice-president.

Kathy Brill, Beth Stackhouse, Marior Stamp, Laura Turas- these are the candidates for the office of secretary. Running for treasurer are Lori Flowers, Barbie Hande, Jodie Lugar, and Jill Stiglich.

The competition is the greatest between Howard Capone, Brenda Danger, Tammy DeValle, Marla Galbraith, Jenny Nondorf, and Jeff Strong, all of whom are running for ambassador.

An election campaigning assembly was held yesterday and students heard each candidate and his/her manager speak.

by S.T.

Rubberneck Opens Dec. 17

The cast for the fall play, Rubberneck, by Donald R. Stepler, was announced last week by Ms. Lundquist, the director.

Chris Willsea will play Bobbie, Tom Smith is cast as Uncle Elwyn, Joyce Schallhorn will be Sandra, Tammy Flowers has the part of Wendy, Rick Bradford will take the part of Larry and Bryan Bacon will be Crawford. Playing the part of Melanie will be Kathy Brill, Shawn Thompson will be Philip, Beth Stackhouse will play Aunt Roberta, Bill Wright will be Arnold, Richard Carlson is cast as the cab driver, Sandra Mayne plays Millicent Greer and Brenda Danger will take the part of Joan Osgood.

Rehearsals for the December 17, 1976 performance began last week in the middle school auditorium where the play itself will be given.

Friday a meeting was held of all those interested in working on the stage crew for the play.

by Nita R.

8th Grade Band Assembly Tomorrow

The 8th grade band will hold a concert tomorrow in a school assembly at 1:30 under the direction of Mr. D'Arcangeles.

SPEAK OUT - Student Council Elections

Yesterday student council officers were elected. Today delegates and alternates were elected by advisor groups. What are the requirements for running for office?

We have asked Mr. Pefley, student council advisor, what is reuired of a student who wants to be on student council. According to him , you must have a C+ or better on your report card the 1st 6-weeks. Im achievement, effort anf citizenship, you have to get 2 or more points. The student council officers must get ten signatures on their petitions before they can run.

Student council will meet every other week at different times. The delegates and alternates meet on Wednesdays on a varying hour schedule. Officers meet the week council doesn't meet. All council members will need to have their grade eligibility checked at mid -term and each six weeks to stay on the council.

The first council meeting will be held tomorrow at 8:20 in room 212.

by Debbie Terrell

Eligibility Rules - Why Have Them?

I think we should let the people (students) try out for student council if they want to. If they can get enough people to sign their petition I think they should be able to run. If they have bad grades and they are real serious about being on student council, they should speak up. If you feel like being on student council, you should write in to the Good Times and tell the people how you feel. Even if it's too late to get elected this year, perhaps your chance will come next year.

by D. T.

Ho Ho - - - and so forth

Teacher: Define "screen door."
Student: Something kids get a bang out of.

PERSPECTIVE - 6th & 7th gr. Views

The following are some impressions of middle school life as seen from 6th and 7th graders in writing lab.

I think it is a lot of fun when you have your own locker and can have a lock on it. You get to take band,too.

I like getting report cards every six weeks because you know more often what your grades are, and if you need more practice in any certain subject.

The middle school is a much more mature school and I feel more important.

I like the idea of switching some classes every six weeks. It makes the time seem to go fast and makes school more interesting.

In the middle school you are more free. You go from room to room and have your own locker . You have to help to be a part of it.

I like middle school better than elementary because I feel more grown-up here.

The middle school is more exciting. It is a challenge. "Can I get to my next clas on time? Can I stop at my locker and make bathroom stops in only five minutes?" Elementary is boring compared to middle school.

When you compare middle school with elementary school,there's a big difference. It's nice to get out of school earlier than they do.

The middle school is full of things to do. Some of them I like, such as math, English, social studies, science, writing lab, gym and lots more.

You have to go up and down stairs all the time and that gets you really tired out, but I can't wait to go to the dances.

by Writing Lab students

Don't forget!

Only 41 shopping days til Christmas!

LETTERS TO THE EDITORIAL STAFF

Dear Good-Timers:
I think it's a good idea to have changed the cafeteria rules because some people need study time ,want to read or play games and eat slowly .

Diane Zalewski

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE CAFETERIA RULES? AIR YOUR VIEWS. Write us, room 103.

More of our MAIL

Dear Good-Timers:
I enjoyed the faculty spotlight in the October 1st issue. I think you should have at least three teachers each issue. Also I enjoy the comedy in it.

Gina Masten

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT-Mr. STIMAC

The roving reporter interviews Mr. Stimac.

Mr. Stimac is teaching reading in the lab along with Mrs. Chavoya.

Mr. Stimac is 30. He is married and has no children. He has three dogs and one cat. His full name is John Phillip Stimac. His zodiac sign is Sagittarius. His hobbies are reading, playing cards, officiating football, and hunting. He has substitute - taught in grades 4, 6,7,8,10 and 11.

Favorite color- red
Favorite animal- dog
Favorite food- Chinese pepper steak
Favorite song- "The Wreck ofthe Edmund Fitzgerald"
Favorite female singer- Linda Ronstadt
Favorite male singer - Gordon Lightfoot
Favorite subject- history and reading

by D. Dean

To a Great Ball Player: Roberto Clemente

Roberto Clemente was a great man,
There isn't a person who wasn't his fan.
When he got up to swing his bat,
The outfield would all back up in a flat.
The ball would come in with a might speed,
And if Bob hit the ball, that's all they would need.
For, if they heard a crack of the bat,
They knew that the ball was neverc coming back.
Their fans across the nation did not have a tear,
For the Pittsburgh Pirates came in first that year.

But there were some tears on New Year's Day,
Because Roberto Clemente passed away.
Now Roberto Clemente will no longer be
For his plane went down in the middle of the sea.
We will never forget his famous name,
Because now it is in the Hall of Fame.

by Steve Bare
& Mike Beebe

Varsity Football Schedule

Paw Paw High School's varsity football team plays its second last game of the season Friday at South Haven. T he final season game is Nov.12 at Buchanan.

Pam DePierre, Diane Zalewski

OPEN DOORS Tomorrow for Open House

An Open House for all middle school parents is scheduled for November 3, tomorrow night, at 6:45 p.m.

Parents will meet at 6:45 in the auditorium for a brief explanation of the program and also for a short concert by Mrs. Howard's classes.

At 7:40-8:40 parents will change "classes" following the schedules of their children. The teachers will explain about the class and talk with parents.

After the "6th" hour, a period of ten minutes really, coffee will be served in the hallways.

All middle school parents are invited to come. Teacher conferences will be held Thursday all day and Friday from 8-11:30. There will be no school those days for students.

by Carl E.

Gruesome gourmet Delights

Elephant Float

2 scoops ice cream (any flavor)
3 squirts soda
1 elephant

Combine and stir. Serves 245.

by Vince R.

Meat Loaf

1 half human
1½ c. blood
3 eye balls
3 c. veins

for richer, extra -goodness, add the other ½ human.

Place in oven for 5 minutes. Take out.

Serves 5 monsters. (may be reheated next day or used for sandwiches.) by Mary S.

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THE HAG

The hag is astride,
This night for to ride,
The devil and she together
Through thick and through thin
Now out and then in,
Though ne'er so foul be the weather.

A thorn or a burr
She takes for a spur
With a lash of a bramble she rides now,
Through brush and through briars
O'er ditches and mires,
She follows the spirit that guides now.

No beast for his food
Dares now rnage the wood
But hushed in his lair he lies lurking
While mischiefs, by these,
On land and on seas
At noon or night are aworking.

The storm will arise,
And trouble the skies
This night and more for the wonder
The ghost from te tomb
Affrighted shall come
Called out by the clap of the thunder.

Lori Kruizinga

VIEWPOINT: from a Bionic Pumpkin

I think Halloween is great. I mean, like last year I was just walking down the street trick-or-treating like any normal Bionic Pumpkin and I saw a really fantastic house. (Houses have been bionic for ages; ask any repairman.) The inside, which I immediately checked out, was fantastic ,too. I've been living there ever since. So you can see why I like Halloween. Something exciting's always happening.

by C.L.

Faculty Spotlight—Mrs. Chavoga

Another of our ever-roving reporters interviewed Mrs. Bette Chavoya. Mrs. Chavoya teaches reading here at the middle school. Mrs. Chavoya has four children. She enjoys music, art, tennis, golf and swimming. Her zodiac sign is Cancer.

Her favorite color : red
Her favorite animal: no one in particular
Her favorite song:"Beethoven's Fifth"
Her favorite male singer: Barry Manilow
Her favorite female singer: Janis Ian
Her favorites sport: tennis
Her favorite subject: lunch
Her favorite food: lobster

by N. Ricketson

BASEBALL WORLD SERIES-'76

The World Series all started with the play-offs for Champion in the American and National League. In the American League, the New York Yankees played the Kansas City Royals. In the National League the Cincinnati Reds played the Philadelphia Phillies. The Yankees won in their league and the Reds won in theirs.

So the series began, with the Reds playin the Yankees. The Reds won the first game with a score of 5-1 and Don Gullet, the winning pitcher and Joe Morgan hit a home run. The second game was also won by the Reds, the score 4-3 with Billingham the winning pitcher. The third game was once more won by the Reds, a 6-2 victory for Zachry, the winning pitcher. Now came the fourth World Series game, Cincinnati having three games won and no losses. The Reds won this decisive game and the series with a score of 7-2, with Gary Nolen pitching for the Reds.

The Yankees got ahead only once in the four games. This is, according to this reporter, why the Reds are called the Big Red Machine. The Reds have all together won one hundred World Series games. This makes back-to-back wins for the Reds.

by Vince Rogers

Girls Begin Basketball Season

The girls of the 7th and 8th grade are playing basketball competitively this year, and winning many of their games. This is a first for the middle school . The girls, coached by Mr. Watterworth and Mr. Ruesink, play several area schools.